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Four-star general, former drug czar continues INL's National Security Seminar Series

The U.S. Department of Energy's Idaho National Laboratory continues its National Security Seminar Series with a presentation by retired four-star Gen. Barry R. McCaffrey. Throughout his illustrious service to the United States - including becoming the youngest four-star general in Army history and serving as President Clinton's drug czar - McCaffrey has become a prominent expert on nearly every national security issue this country faces today. He will address an invited audience at University Place in Idaho Falls, Idaho on Sept. 13 at 1 p.m.

Recent national and international events – from the War on Terrorism to the threat of nuclear weapons – have changed the way Americans live, think and act. As someone who is regularly consulted by the Pentagon, White House and media, McCaffrey will share his insight and experience on the continuing fight against terrorism and the threat of nuclear proliferation.

During his 31-year military career, McCaffrey served as the Commander-in-Chief of the United States Armed Forces Southern Command in Latin America, the Commander of the 24th Infantry Division during Operation Desert Storm, and as the Joint Chiefs of Staff adviser to both the Secretary of State and U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations.

At retirement from active duty, he was the most highly decorated four-star general in the Army having twice earned the Distinguished Service Cross for valor, two Silver Stars and three Purple Heart medals, among others.

Currently, he is the Bradley Distinguished Professor of International Security Studies at the United States Military Academy and is president of his own consulting firm based in Alexandria, Va. He also serves as a national security and terrorism analyst for NBC News. McCaffrey will be available for media interviews outside University Place on Sept. 13 from 2 to 2:30 p.m.

The National Security Seminar Series brings important speakers to eastern Idaho to address issues of global importance and create a dialogue among laboratory scientists and area professionals. The public is invited to attend, but due to limited space, must call ahead to reserve seating. For more information or to reserve a seat, contact Megan Miller at (208) 526-3154 or megan.miller@inl.gov.

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